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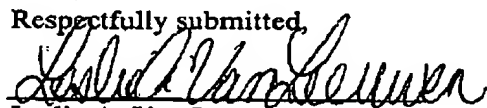
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**U.S. SERIAL NO.:** 09/780,833  
**FILING DATE:** February 9, 2001  
**INVENTOR:** Arne Ansper et al.  
**EXAMINER:** Stulberger, Cas P.  
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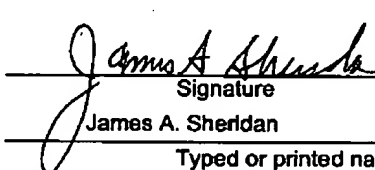
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